

MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF OSSINING
IN PERSON AT THE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
BIRDSALL-FAGAN POLICE/COURT FACILITY
86-88 SPRING STREET – OSSINING, NEW YORK
AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING

December 10, 2024

REGULAR MEETING
7:30 P.M.

SUPERVISOR
Elizabeth R. Feldman

COUNCILMEMBERS
Gregory G. Meyer Angelo A. Manicchio
Jennifer Fields-Tawil Matthew J. Weiss

I. CALL TO ORDER-PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-ROLL CALL

The Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on December 10, 2024 at Birdsall-Fagan Police/Court Facility 86-88 Spring Street – Ossining, New York, 10562 and via video conference. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Elizabeth R. Feldman. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Gregory G. Meyer, Jennifer Fields-Tawil, Angelo A. Manicchio and Matthew J. Weiss. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tomm-Addona, Budget Officer Martha C. Quituisaca and Deputy Town Clerk Jeaneth V. Guinansaca.

II. DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

- **Park Foreman Mario Velardo**
Departmental Report was given by Park Foreman Mario Velardo.
- **Highway & Cemetery Superintendent Pete Connolly.**
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III. SUPERVISOR AND TOWN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Dog Park at Cedar Lane Park now has Solar powered lights installed!**
- **The new playground at Ryder Park is now open! The location includes ADA Compliant play areas for children of all capabilities.**
- **The Project Mover E-Bike program is now on its Winter Pause. The E-Bikes will return after the winter season. The program has been extremely successful so far and has plans on expanding to the surrounding communities.**
- **The EPA Hudson River Office is hosting an informational meeting on December 12th at 6:30pm in the Orange County Community College. This event will discuss which types of crabs and fish from the Hudson River are safe to eat and how to properly clean and cook them. For more information, please visit their website at www.epa.gov/hudsonriverpcbs/epa-hudson-river-pcbs-site-contacts**
- **The Ossining Recreation Department will be hosting the Special Needs Kids Holiday Night Out on December 18th at 6:30 in the Community Center. This program will give our special needs population and their caretakers the opportunity to participate in Holiday activities. Please register at www.villageofossining.org.**

- Beginning on Sunday, December 22nd, at 9:00 AM, Santa will be traveling throughout the Village and Town of Ossining on an Ossining Fire Departments fire truck for our annual Candy Cane Run! As always, Santa will be handing out candy canes and stopping for pictures. Be sure to check the Candy Cane Run Route over on the Village of Ossining Website or on the Facebook page.
- The Menorah Lighting will also be held at Market Square; however, this event will begin running at 6PM on Thursday, December 26th.
- The Ossining Boat & Canoe Club is running a Holiday Toy Drive. They are many available locations that are participating in this event, please check their Facebook page for a detailed list of locations and more information.
- The 109th Baker-Collyer Christmas Cheer Fund is currently underway. The Fund is an all-volunteer organization that packs and delivers food to families in our community who are in need of assistance. Please visit their website at www.thebakercollyerchristmascheerfund.com for more information.
- The Village of Ossining train station parking permit renewal has begun for next year. Current permit holders have until December 16th, 2024 to renew their parking permits. Permits will open to those on the waitlist as of December 17th. Please check the Village of Ossining website or Facebook page for more information.
- Hudson Compost is a new company that will pick up compost at your door! New customers can join for free through 2024! For more information, please visit their website at Hudsoncompost.com
- Westchester Collaborative Theater is presenting the world premiere of the musical “Gladys Day”! For showing information, please visit their website at wctheater.org.
- Hudson Valley Books for Humanity is running many great events these upcoming weeks. For more information, please visit their website at hvbooksforhumanity.com
- Bethany Artists Community is opening up their early registration for the 2025 Kids Create Camp. For more information about this fun and creative summer camp please check out their website at bethanyarts.org
- Please don’t forget to apply for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), to help cover your heating costs. For assistance, contact the Westchester County Department of Social Service at 914-995-3333.
- As always, our Ossining Public Library will be hosting many events including movies, craft events, meditation, tutoring, yoga, book clubs and more. Please see their website at ossininglibrary.org for more information.
- The Loft LGBTQ+ Community Center has everything from events and programs to resources and presentations all dedicated to providing support to everyone who is a part of the LGBTQ+ Community, including many virtual and in person support groups and clubs for a multitude of different topics. Please check out their website at loftgaycenter.org for more information.
- There are many fun and interesting events being held locally, and you can look at the weekly Supervisor’s Update on the Supervisor’s webpage to see them.

IV. LIAISON REPORTS

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to address the Board on any of the resolutions on the agenda.

VI. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

A. Approval of Minutes – November 26, 2024

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the November 26, 2024 minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

B. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated December 10, 2024 in the amount of \$614,189.54.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

C. Call for Public Hearing – The Briarcliff Manor Restaurant Cabaret License 2025 as amended

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby calls for a Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 7:30 PM at the Birdsall-Fagan Police/Court Facility, 86-88 Spring Street, Ossining, NY 10562 and via Zoom videoconferencing (which information will be available at www.townofossining.com), in the matter of the 2025 Cabaret License for the Briarcliff Manor Restaurant, 25 Studio Hill RD, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

D. Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to sign a Letter of Intent to Participate in the Westchester County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update project

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following resolution be approved.

Whereas, Westchester County has initiated the process to update the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP), as required by FEMA whose current approved plan expires in 2026; and

Whereas, as FEMA no longer funds single jurisdiction mitigation plans, a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) application has been submitted to FEMA to fund a county-wide HMP update effort; and

Whereas, the HMP update will be carried out in compliance with federal law, which requires local governments to have an approved hazard mitigation plan to be eligible for federal mitigation grant funds; and

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign a Letter of Intent to Participate in the Westchester County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update project on behalf of the Town of Ossining.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VII. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED & FILED

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following correspondence to be received & filed.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following correspondence:

- PB Resolution - 549 North State Rd Restaurant 10/16/24

- ARB Resolution - 549 North State Rd. Restaurant 10/16/24
- ZBA Transcript - Tomasulo 200 Rte 9A 10/21/24
- ZBA Transcript - Decker 4 Bracken 10.21.24

Motion Carried: Unanimously

VIII. MONTHLY REPORTS:

Councilmember Meyer moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Weiss that the following monthly reports to be accepted.

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following monthly reports for the month of November 2024:

- Dale Cemetery
- Highway Department
- Supervisor's Office
- Tax Receiver
- Town Building Department
- Town Clerk

Motion Carried: Unanimously

IX. VISITOR RECOGNITION

Visitors shall be accorded one (1) four (4) minute opportunity to address the Board on issues not relating to the agenda, but of relevance to the common good of the Town.

X. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:04 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn to Executive Session for matters of Advice of Counsel and Contracts Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

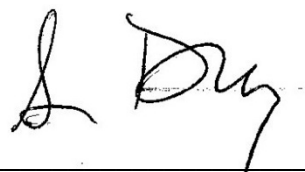
At 9:28 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to leave Executive Session and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

At 9:28 P.M., Councilmember Meyer motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Councilmember Weiss seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

Approved:



Susanne Donnelly, Town Clerk